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Which question can be answered factually and completely through historical research and study?

- **A.** Which war was the most important war of the twentieth century?
- B. Which Civil War battle was the the most costly in terms of casualties?
- C. Why is President Reagan the best model for fiscally conservative presidents?
- **D.** What would President Kennedy have done after his presidency if he had survived assassination?

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Read the excerpt from Thomas Paine's pamphlet, "Common Sense".

But the injuries and disadvantages we sustain by that connection are without number, and our duty to mankind at large, as well as to ourselves, instructs us to renounce the alliance: Because any submission to or dependence on Great Britain tends directly to involve this continent in European wars and quarrels, and sets us at variance with nations who would otherwise seek our friendship and against whom we have neither anger nor complaint. As Europe is our market for trade, we ought to form no partial connection with any part of it. It is the true interest of America to steer clear of European contentions, which she never can do, while by her dependence on Britain she is made the make-weight in the scale of British politics.

-Thomas Paine, 1776

Which of Paine's arguments for independence does the excerpt support?

- **A.** Great Britain is too far from America to rule effectively.
- **B.** The king rules for his own benefit rather than the benefit of his subjects.
- C. Monarchy is an evil that must be eradicated by means of armed rebellion.
- **D.** Remaining allied to Great Britain restricts American neutrality and commerce.

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**Blooms Taxonomy:** None

**Difficulty:** None **Alignment:** 

**Related Passage: Correct Answer:** A

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Which statement describes why the election of 1860 was a cause of the Civil War?

- **A.** Southerners viewed the Republican win as a victory for abolition.
- **B.** Stephen Douglas campaigned on a platform that advocated secession.
- **C.** Northerners protested that Republicans won with less than half of the popular vote.
- **D.** Abraham Lincoln campaigned on a platform of freedom for slaves in all the states and territories.

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**Blooms Taxonomy:** None

**Difficulty:** None **Alignment:** 

Related Passage: Correct Answer: B

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Which statement describes how the Agricultural Adjustment Act helped farmers during the Great Depression?

- **A.** The government instituted a minimum wage for all workers, which increased income for farmers.
- **B.** The government took land out of production by renting it and leaving it fallow, causing prices for crops to rise.
- **C.** The government cut taxes on businesses that processed crops like wheat and corn, which cut costs for farmers.
- **D.** The government paid farmers to plant more acres in basic crops like wheat and corn, causing prices for crops to rise.